(c) the steps taken to prevent such detentions in future ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP) : (a) A total of 45 Indian fishermen were detained by the Sri Lankan authorities in separate incidents in Sri Lankan waters during the period from September 1996 to January 1997. On March 3, 1997, a further eight crew members of an Indian vessel were detained after being intercepted by the Sri Lankan Navy close to the shores of Sri Lanka while transporting refugees and material from Sri Lanka into India.

(b) and (c) The Sri Lankan authorities have been approached through diplomatic channels to obtain the release of the detained fishermen. During the visit of the External Affairs Minister to Colombo in January 1997, both India and Sri Lanka agreed to deal with problems faced by fishermen of the two countries in a spirit of compassion and understanding. The Sri Lankan Government have subsequently released 25 Indian fishermen against whom there were no charges relating to security or trafficking of refugees. The release of the remaining fishermen is being pursued with the Sri Lankan authorities. Steps are also being taken to caution Indian fishermen against entering into Sri Lankan waters in view of the ongoing conflict situation there.

**Purchase by ICCR**

6150. SHRI PRAMOTHES MUKHERJEE :

SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULESTE :

SHRI VIJAY ANNAJI MUDE :

SHRI DEVENDRA BAHADUR ROY :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the purchasing of official goods in high value of ICCR without tender;

(b) whether the ICCR are also constructing rooms in violation of municipal rules; and

(c) if so, the steps proposed to be taken in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP) : (a) Purchases are normally made from Government outlets. The items which are not available in the Government outlets are purchased from the authorised dealers or by calling sealed quotations from reputed firms.

(b) Three temporary enclosures were raised in 1994-95 to accommodate the staff members in the public interest.

(c) The question does not arise.

**Power Project at Jabalpur**

6151. SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULESTE : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to set up 3000 Mega Watt power plant at Jabalpur division of Madhya Pradesh.

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the survey team has conducted in this regard; and

(d) if so, the time by which the plant is likely to be commissioned ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) No proposal for setting up a 3000 MW power plant at Jabalpur division of Madhya Pradesh is under consideration of the Central Electricity Authority.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

**ICCR Library**

6152. SHRI HARI SINGH :

SHRI RAM TAHAL CHAUDHARY :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain rare manuscripts and other valuable documents of historic and cultural importance relating to Maulana Abul Kalam Azad have disappeared from the library of the Council for Indian Cultural Relations;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to recover these rare documents ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP) : (a) and (b) All personal papers and manuscripts of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad are physically there in the ICCR Library. However in a preliminary inspection done in 1996 it was found that five manuscripts of works by other authors from the collection could not be located in their designated sections.

Since then a physical verification of the books in the Library has been undertaken and four of the missing manuscripts have been located. One manuscript-Kulligate-e-Sadi of Sadi Mushihuddin is still not traceable.

(c) The second round of stock taking and physical verification of the library books is currently being undertaken.

**Ambedkar Awas Yojna**

6153. SHRI P. NAMGYAL : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Ambedkar Avas Yojana, DDA's

housing scheme for SC/ST was started on November, 1, 1989 and closed on December 29, 1989;

(b) if so, the number of persons registered for MIG, LIG and Janata categories, separately alongwith the total amount deposited as registration deposit for each category, separately;

(c) the number of persons allotted houses under each category under the said scheme and the reasons for non-allotment to the remaining ones so far, if any, under each scheme separately;

(d) the time by which the total allotment is likely to be completed under each scheme;

(e) whether any interest will be paid on the registration deposits; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) Yes, Sir

(b) The DDA has reported that a total number of 20,000 persons registered themselves under this scheme as per the details given below :

| | |
|---|---|
| Janta | 3000 |
| LIG | 10000 |
| MIG | 7000 |

The amount received as registration deposit in different categories is as under:-

Janta-3000 × 4000 = 1,20,00,000/-

LIG- 10000 × 8000 = 8,00,00,000/-

MIG- 7000 × 12000 = 8,40,00,000/-

17,60,00,000/-

(c) and (d) The DDA has reported that the following allotments have been made to the registrants of Ambedkar Awas Yojana 1989 as on 31.3.97:-

Janta - 2,988 (remaining cancelled/surrendered)

LIG - 3,105

MIG - 1,934

Keeping in view the constraints of availability of land and services like water supply, electricity etc. provided by other agencies, no time schedule is possible at this stage.

(e) and (f) Yes, Sir. As per terms of the brochure the Registration Deposit will carry interest at the rate of 7% p.a. The interest amount will be credited to the account of registrants annually and interest thereon will be adjusted towards the payment of cost of the flat. The interest amount will be payable only upto the date of draw of lots in which the registered person becomes successful in getting the allotment. No interest will, however, be paid in case the deposit is withdrawn before expiry of one year from the date of deposit.

**Revival of Companies by BIFR**

6154. SHRI UTTAM SINGH PAWAR : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether out of 675 revival schemes sanctioned by the Board of Industrial and Financial Reconstruction, only 307 companies have been reopened till December, 1995;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps the Government have taken against the defaulter companies for not complying with the decision of BIFR and also to get the sick companies to start functioning; and

(d) the result achieved by the Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR): (a) and (b) The Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) has reported that upto 31.12.1995, 515 rehabilitation schemes (including 27 schemes sanctioned by the Appellate Authority for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction) were sanctioned for the revival of the sick industrial companies registered with the Board. Out of the above, 60 companies were declared no longer sick upto 31.12.1995 and were discharged from the purview of SICA on successful implementation of the revival schemes. The rest of the rehabilitation schemes are at various stages of implementation by the concerned companies.

BIFR has further reported that the period of implementation of the revival schemes generally varies from 5 to 7 years. Therefore mainly such revival schemes as were sanctioned upto 1988-89 were expected to have been completed by December, 1995. Most of the Schemes sanctioned from 1990 onwards are scheduled to be finally implemented only after December 1995.

(c) and (d) The implementation of the schemes sanctioned for the revival of the sick industrial companies is monitored by the designated Monitoring Agency (which are generally the Operating Agencies) and the BIFR. At the stage of implementation of the scheme, difficulties if any, experienced due to delay in compliance/non compliance of the provisions by any party to the scheme, are resolved by bringing together all the parties involved. The Board also has powers to invoke penal provision under Section 33 of Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985 against wilful non compliance of any provision/orders of the Board.